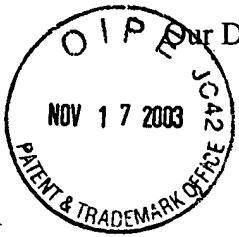


RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
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In re Application of:

Roger Collins

Application No.: 09/902,515

Filed: July 9, 2001

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       Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

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